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Honorable Felix J. Bordeaux, Commissioner of Conservation Office of Conservation P. O. Box 94275 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Proposed Unit Well at an Exceptional Location Upper Hosston Formation U HOSS SUD West Arcadia Field Bienville Parish, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

Application is hereby made on behalf of ST. MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO., (Applicant), to the Commissioner of Conservation for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Upper Hosston Formation, West Arcadia Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana:

- 1. To permit the applicant to drill, designate and utilize their DSK, Ltd. No. 1 Well as a unit well for the production of gas and condensate for the Upper Hosston Formation, West Arcadia Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, in the unit designated U HOSS SUD, such unit and well shown on the attached plat and made a part hereof, in exception to the spacing provisions of the 692 Series of Office of Conservation Orders.
- 2. To find that a unit well is needed on the U HOSS SUD, at the location shown on the attached plat, to assist in the efficient and effective drainage of the unit that cannot be drained by any other well located therein.
- 3. To keep in full force an effect the provision of the 692 Series of Office of Conservation Orders and other applicable Statewide Orders except as they may be in conflict herewith.
- 4. To consider and cover such other matters as the Commissioner of Conservation may deem pertinent and appropriate.

The Upper Hosston Formation in the West Arcadia Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 692, effective April 1, 1965.

The pertinent data pertaining to this application is available for inspection at the Offices of B. F. Anderson, 400 Travis Street, Suite 209, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101-3110. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call B. F. Anderson at 318/425-4230 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent, that is otherwise not available from the Office of Conservation, can be obtained at the expense of the requesting party.

The subject matter of this application does not require a pre-hearing conference.

Pursuant to the revised Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Interested Parties and Represented Parties to whom this notice of this intended application is being sent. A copy of this letter and the attached plat is being sent to the District Manager of the Shreveport District Office of Conservation and to the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and the Interested Parties as shown on the attached list.

Our check, made payable to the Office of Conservation, is attached to cover the applicable hearing fee.

Yours very truly,

B. F. Anderson, PE for

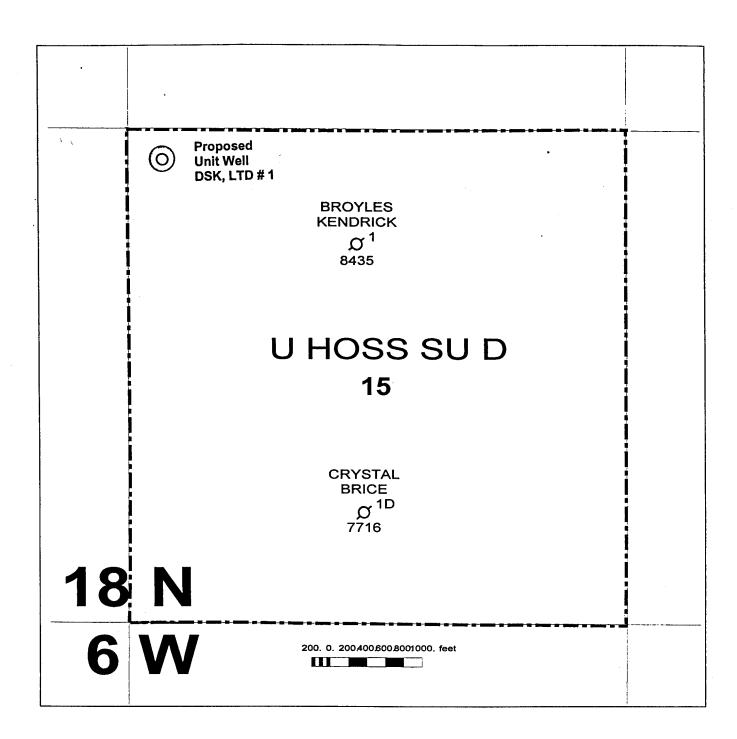
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ST. MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO.

cc: Mr. James Broussard, District Manager Shreveport District Office of Conservation Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties

Mr. Steve Causey, St. Mary Land & Expl. Co.

Mr. Tal Walker, St. Mary Land & Expl. Co.



St Mary Land & Exploration Inc.

West Arcadia Field Bienville Parish, Louisiana Proposed Unit Well U Hoss SU D 330' FNL & 330' FWL of sec.15,18N,6W